

FOR USE OF TRADE LEAD TO END WAR

H. S. Houston Urges Economic Pressure on Nations Violating Peace Pacts.

SEEKS TO SUBMIT PLAN TO HAGUE CONFERENCE

Would Have U. S. Chamber of Commerce Take Action in Interest of World's Business.

Herbert S. Houston, who was a delegate to the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, held here recently, has prepared an article for publication in a number of the leading newspapers of the United States outlining the reasons he believes the Chamber of Commerce of the United States should urge the next conference at The Hague, as a penalty for future infractions of conventions of The Hague conference, to provide for economic pressure on nations which engage in war.

At the convention of the chamber here Mr. Houston presented a resolution on this subject. The convention ordered that a referendum vote of all the chambers of commerce, boards of trade and other commercial organizations in the national chamber be taken on the proposition.

Would Hurt Commerce.

In the article Mr. Houston has prepared he says, in part:

"Of course, the one apparently strong and valid reason against such economic pressure is that it would bring great loss to the commerce of the nations applying it. But that loss would be far less than the loss brought by war. And there would be no loss whatever if war were avoided. Still to one beholding the wheels of his factory whirling with overtime work brought by war contracts; to the farmer enchanted with the magic of 'dollar wheat'; and to the merchant who has seen his shipping export balances, an economic pressure that resulted in smaller trade would seem an astonishing and utterly bereft of our senses.

"But ask the cotton growers who have their market blocked out from under them by war; consider the virtual moratorium on the exchanges closed, bringing an incalculable loss in shrinkage in security values and affecting all business; listen to the poignant murmur of the unemployed who are shut out of the door of opportunity; and the shield of Mars has two sides. And it always has had two sides. But the shield side is not the one which reflects the ghastly image of war.

"In time of war why shouldn't the world prepare for such a day when peace will come, soon or late, and it may be lasting if it is wisely safeguarded.

Financial Stage Approaching.

"It would appear to be a proper time to consider the economic pressure question, for the great war is clearly coming to its financial stage. And that is the stage in which it must finally end. Lloyd George is reported to have said that victory will go to the nation that can raise the last million pounds, and the nation that can raise that million will be England.

"Substance, unquestionably, is the arbiter of the world's fate. And there is strong reason to believe that it will end this one, for the long war is usually found to be more important than the briefest. If that is true, and history seems to establish it, why isn't economic pressure the most important factor in the world against future wars—at least from such a 'stupid and unnecessary war' as the one now being waged properly called this one.

"The Hague conventions of 1864 and those of 1907 provided no penalties for infractions. First together with the fact that the most important of them failed to secure as signatories all of the nations now at war, justify President Wilson in failing to protest against alleged violations. But following the war there will come another Hague conference. It will come in a world so exhausted and desolated by war that there must arise in it, as the nations back of it, an irresistible appeal for safeguards adequate for future protection. Now what should those safeguards be?

Cites Roosevelt's Proposal.

"There is a standing proposal for an international police force. Col. Roosevelt urged the necessity for such a force with striking vigor a few weeks ago. But after all, isn't this proposal, stripped, merely militarism masquerading under another name. The fighting armies abroad are composites from different countries—an actual and destructive international police force. But no genuine euphemism can disguise the grim front of Mars. And isn't such a force likely to become provocative to the very war it is organized to avoid? War breeds war, as all history shows. The epigram of David Starr Jordan in a speech at the Economic Club in New York envisaged a fact, for it is true, as he said, that 'when every one is loaded some one is going to explode.'

"What is the need anyway in the twentieth century of applying methods that should have been outworn in the middle ages? The force to apply in modern times is the compelling and world-wide force of commerce. It is the force that touches the war chest of every country. No instead of fighting with bullets why not fight with the money and credit that must be behind bullets. This would certainly stop the heartbreaking losses of life and the even more heartbreaking suffering and desolation that come in the wake of wars.

"Take a brief survey of the world's trade. Last year it amounted to \$13,000,000,000 of dollars. Of this the nations now at war had over half. The United States had 15 per cent for its share. This trade was largely financed through the sale of securities and the establishment of credit relations through the stock exchanges of the world. When the war broke, these exchanges closed. Instantly business was affected not merely in the warring nations, but in every country. In the United States we have had to undergo and are still undergoing a broad readjustment. Despite our natural resources and wonderful crops we have had a period of depression, in this country, three thousand miles away from the battlefields abroad. Here is a capping demonstration of the interdependence of nations. Business has bound them together in such an infinite network of relations that no nation is any longer a law unto itself.

Punishment Through Trade.

"So why shouldn't business—by that I mean the organized life of the world—protect this great new world of the twentieth century that it has so largely created. And isn't the way to do it to provide in future Hague conventions that the punishment to be imposed on a nation that breaks its pledge to the other nations shall be these:

"A refusal on the part of the other nations to permit loans to be made or credits to be established within their borders by the offending nation.

"As a final word it may be well to state, in view of this sudden outbreak of national defense, that there is no

If George Had It to Do Over Again.

—By Webster.



occasion for us to beat swords into plowshares until the rest of the world does it; by all means let us have an efficient army and navy and coast defenses. But it is hard to believe that in twenty months of the Wilson administration these have become as helpless and hopeless as some alarmists declare. The twenty preceding years under McKinley and Roosevelt and Taft should have built in a more enduring way. In any event, there will be satisfaction that, whatever the facts, both parties are responsible for them, so there can be no party advantage over a truly patriotic question.

"But this country will stand for peace. There is no shadow of doubt about that. And she will stand for it and work for it in the peace and faith of strength. As the great neutral nation, the world looks to her for leadership. What an opportunity to serve the world by helping to establish peace on the sure foundations of international commerce.

NOTED ENGINEER DEAD.

Sir Charles Augustus Hartley Helped Plan Panama Canal Route.

LONDON, February 22, 3:36 a.m.—Sir Charles Augustus Hartley, a noted engineer, died today.

Sir Charles Augustus Hartley, who was born in 1825, devoted most of his career to hydraulic engineering and the improvement of estuaries and harbors for the purpose of navigation. In 1875 he was one of the committee appointed by the international police force to guard the Suez canal. He was a member of the congress that sat at Paris to decide on the best route for a ship canal across the Isthmus of Panama.

Sir William Eden Dies in London.

LONDON, February 22.—Sir William Eden, artist and land owner, died yesterday. His eldest son was killed at Ypres in November and the heir to the barony is at present interned in Germany.

GRAIN BROKERS REFUSE BOOKS TO U. S. PROBERS

Act Halts Inquiry Which Centers in Causes of Advanced Price of Bread.

CHICAGO, February 22.—Grain brokers engaged in business in the Chicago Board of Trade have refused to submit their books or records to government officials investigating the high prices of wheat and flour, it was learned today. As a result, it was declared, the inquiry, which centers in causes of the advanced price of bread, is at a standstill.

Charles F. Cline, the United States district attorney, has reported to Attorney General Gregory that the brokers in declining to submit their books contended that they are under express obligation not to divulge the transactions of customers. The brokers asserted, it was said, that the same immunity from disclosure applies to their relations to their customers as to the relations between attorney and client.

To Make Preliminary Report.

District Attorney Cline has notified the Department of Justice at Washington that he will forward a preliminary report of his investigation. The question of immunity raised by the Chicago brokers, it was said, would be placed before Attorney General Gregory.

The district attorney sought access to the books of the brokers to ascertain whether the price of wheat was due to the actual demand for grain abroad or to speculation. In addition, he is seeking to discover whether there is any conspiracy of the big operators to corner the wheat market.

RUSSIA NOW ABANDONS PROSECUTION OF GORKY

Government Finally Lifts Ban on Noted Socialist Author, Who Has Joined Army.

PETROGRAD, via London, February 22.—The prosecution instituted against Maxim Gorky, the author, several years ago for his socialistic anti-government propaganda, which necessitated his self-exile for several years, has been abandoned definitely.

Maxim Gorky's restoration to the good graces of the Russian government comes after a long period of years, during which he was at odds with the authorities. He returned to Russia about a year ago, after eight years of exile. He was included in an amnesty conceded by Emperor Nicholas in 1913, but declined to avail himself of it, and did not return to his native land until failing health and a longing to see his country caused him to go back.

The career of the realistic novelist and revolutionary propagandist has been a stormy one almost since his birth in 1868. He is the son of a poor upholsterer. Left an orphan at five, he ran away from the man to whom he was apprenticed and thereafter shifted for himself.

M. Gorky has been imprisoned several times on account of his alleged seditious utterances. In 1906 he was charged by the Russian government with fomenting anti-Russian revolutionary movements abroad and in 1909, when he was living in Italy, his arrest was ordered by the Russian government. He was suffering from tuberculosis when he returned to Russia, but later was said to have recovered.

Last September it was reported that he was serving as a private with the Russian army in Galicia.

Suffering from poison, Miss Nellie Dosch, sixteen years old, is in a serious condition at a hospital in Baltimore.

Wise Old Ben Franklin

Said—

"A penny saved is a penny earned."

With the price of beef and wheat soaring higher and higher, the problem of economic living is causing many housewives to consider food values in planning meals.

For years many have known, and others are now finding out, the true economy in

Grape-Nuts

This food, the true meat of wheat and barley full of Nature's richest nourishment, builds nerve and muscle, bone and brain, in a way that has thoroughly commended it the world over.

A package of Grape-Nuts—fully cooked, ready to serve, and sealed in its weather-proof and germ-proof wrapping—can be had from any grocer. No rise in price!

Grape-Nuts, served with milk, cream or fruit, gives satisfaction, sustaining food value, true economy, and proves itself a family friend.

"There's a Reason" for Grape-Nuts

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22c China Matting

Tomorrow at 14cyd.

An opportunity to cover your floors with this heavy grade Seamless China Matting we sell regularly for 22c a yard, at 14c. We will cut as many yards as you need from the full rolls at this low price for tomorrow. Choice of 20 patterns, in checks, stripes and plaid effects of various desirable colors. Reversible and durable.

STORE HOURS: Open 8-45 a.m.; Close 5:30 p.m.

"IT PAYS TO DEAL AT GOLDENBERG'S"

Goldenberg's

SEVENTH AND K "THE DEPENDABLE STORE"

\$1.00 Corsets at 69c

Popular makes, including "R. & G." "C. B." and "P. N."—regular one dollar models of coutil, in medium and low bust styles, with lace and embroidery trimmings. Extra well boned, with front clasp. All sizes at 69c.

First Showing of Trimmed Hats

Styles of Entrancing Beauty and Charm in This Special Display of \$7.00 to \$10.00 Values at



We shall put on special sale tomorrow a lot of new Spring Hats at five dollars that emphasizes this store's ability to offer superior values at all times. Newest ideas for early spring wear and for southern trips.

The showing includes all the latest shapes, in the popular small-rolled sailors, mushrooms, tricornes and other styles—charming, captivating ideas, combined with unequalled value. The majority are of straw, combined with silks and satins; others are of maline, chiffon and transparent materials.

In beautiful new shades of blue, sand and putty, as well as all the other favorite colors for spring and black.

Values actually worth \$7.00 to \$10.00, specially priced for tomorrow's sale at FIVE DOLLARS.

Choice of the House Sale of All Women's and Misses'

Winter Coats

Formerly Sold Up to \$30.00 at \$4.88

Under our rigid rule of clearance, prices go tumbling to record low points—to wind up our entire remaining stock of winter coats for women and misses. At the sensationally low figure named for tomorrow's Clearance sale these coats should sell to the first women who see them.

Every coat in our stock, regardless of former selling price, included in this sweeping clearance at \$4.88—representing values ranging up to \$30.00. Coats of such approved materials as the following:

Astrakhan, Novelty Boucle, Striped Chinchilla, Zibeline, Matelasse Kersey, Chiffon Braddock, Fur-trimmed effects, Box Boucle, Camel Hair, etc. Good range of sizes and colors. Sale price, \$4.88. No exchanges. No refunds. No C. O. D.'s. No approvals.

Wool and Fibre Rugs, \$3.45

9x12 ft. Regularly \$5, at

The cost of one of these Large Room Size Wool and Fibre Rugs is so small that thrifty housewives will want to take advantage of the special price named for this sale and brighten up the home with new floor coverings.

They are 9x12-ft. size, strictly reversible and made in one piece—no seams. Choice of conventional and medallion designs in green and brown colorings. Fourth Floor.

12½c "Cumfy Cut" WOMEN'S VESTS, 9c

Women's "Cumfy Cut" Vests, as the name implies, fit perfectly, and cannot slip over the shoulders; low neck and sleeveless, with taped neck; in bleached cotton. Sizes 4, 5 and 6. Sale price, 9c each.

Women's Fine Ribbed Knit Tights, lace and shell trimmed; sizes 4 to 7; regular 50c value. Sale price 39c

Women's Medium-weight Cotton Underwear, bleached shirts, with high neck and long sleeves; ankle pants; 60" size, regular 17c value. Sale price 17c

Box-Loom Crepe de Chine 98c

Full 40 Inches Wide Regular \$1.50 Quality, at

Fine Quality Box Loom Crepe de Chine, 40 inches wide, extra heavy weight, with rich, crepe finish that proclaims its superiority at a glance. Guaranteed not to slip.

These colors—Ivory, Flesh, Pink, Light Blue, Coral, Old Rose, Reseda, Nile, Lavender, Mais, Gray, Silver, Sand, Putty, Alice Brown, Duck, Gendarme Blue, Wistaria, Battleship Gray, Navy, also Black and White.

The regular \$1.50 quality at 98c a yard.

36-inch Chiffon Taffeta, all silk, soft tissue finish, guaranteed to wear. In white, cream, light blue, pink, mauve, old rose, wistaria, lavender, gray, Nile, king's blue, brown, myrtle, olive, Russian and black. Regular \$1.00 value. 79c

40-inch Black Beau de Cygne, rich, soft, satin face quality; extra heavy weight; for making handsome street costumes. Regular \$1.25 value. 89c

Women's \$2.50, \$3 & \$3.50 Shoes

Reduced to \$1.69

Choice of several hundred pairs of Women's Shoes, including the fashionable gray and black cloth top, as well as leather-top models, of Patent Colt, Gun Metal, Vici Kid, Tan Calf and Velvet, in button, lace and blucher styles. Spool, Cuban and low heels. Sizes 2½ to 8 in the lot. Former \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 qualities, reduced to \$1.69 a pair.

Gowns and Petticoats 59c

Regular 79c and 98c Undermuslins at

New and dainty undermuslins of a quality and style seldom, if ever, offered at such a low figure. Remarkable half-day economies that you cannot afford to miss.

The Gowns are made of soft-finish nainsook, in round and square neck styles, beautifully trimmed with excellent grade imported embroideries and val lace; some combined with medium styles, all sizes. Worth neatly trimmed; also fine quality White Crepe materials in the lot.

The Petticoats are made of soft-finish cambric, with flounces of wide embroidery, others with insertions and pink and blue ribbons. Choice variety of new styles, in all lengths.

Women's Nainsook Drawers, circular style, with flounces of imported embroidery; French band; open and closed styles, all sizes. Worth 39c pair 27c

"Choice-of-the-House" Sale of Any Suit or Overcoat

Formerly Sold for \$13.50, \$15.00 & \$16.50. Now \$6.95

To force a complete, final clean-up of the balance of our stock of Men's Clothing we've put the selling price down to the lowest level ever reached for clothing of such superior style and high quality.

The Suits consist of all-wool fancy cassimeres, worsteds, chevots and tweeds, in a varied assortment of neat, dressy effects, including brown checks, line stripes, dark mixtures and grays. Finely lined with moirai, serge and expertly tailored. Choice of conservative and ultra-fashionable models for young men. Sizes from 32 to 42 in the lot.

The Overcoats consist of handsome blue and green plaid-backed materials, with cuffed sleeves, full box and velvet collar, form-fitting and regular lengths, in single and double breasted models. All this season's smartest effects and nobbiest styles. Sizes 32 to 38 only.

Imported Tussah Silks 17c

Regular 39c Quality at

These high-class, beautiful silk-and-cotton fabrics are in great demand for making reception gowns, party dresses, dancing frocks and afternoon dresses. The manner of weaving brings out the richness and luster of the weave perfectly, while the slight mixture of highly mercerized cotton makes them more serviceable than any all-silk material of the same weight.

In a complete range of street and evening shades. Tomorrow at 17c a yard.

Underselling Values in Furniture

Our CLUB PLAN gives you the advantage of our low cash prices.

\$35.00 Genuine Leather Couch This \$20.00

\$19.85 Library Table This \$4.85

\$10.85 Rocker, \$2.85

Chair, 69c

\$1.50 Magazine Rack, 89c

Handsome Genuine Leather Couch, with heavy quartered oak frame, in fumed finish.

Highly Finished Library Table, with drawer and shelf, like the sketch, made in quartered oak and mahogany finish. Exceptional value at \$10.85.

Genuine Quartered Oak Rocker, with plush seat, well made and comfortable. Good serviceable quality. Actual \$4.85 value at \$2.85.

Solid Oak Chair with cane seat; well made and strongly braced. A regular \$1.25 value offered for one day at 69c.

Fumed Oak Magazine Rack, with four shelves; heavy and strong article of furniture for the den or living room. Special tomorrow at 89c, instead of \$1.50.

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